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**APPLICANT:** Thappa      **GROUP ART UNIT:** 3763  
**SERIAL NO.:** 09/695,116      **EXAMINER:** Ghafoorian  
**FILING DATE:** Oct. 24, 2000      **ATTY. DOCKET NO.:** THA-P-00-001  
**INVENTION:** "CLOSED END INFUSION CATHETER WITH AN INTRODUCER AND A METHOD FOR USING THE SAME"

**MS Non-Fee Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**SIR:**

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003 for the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.       The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED (AMENDED ONLY)						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	MINUS	26	X 0	X 9.00 X 18.00	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	03	MINUS	03	X 0	X 42.00 X 84.00	0
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.			() YES (X) NO		\$130.00 \$260.00 ONE TIME	0
			TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		0	

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Acct. No. 50-0595. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.
- Applicants hereby petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time so that the period for response is extended to September 21, 2003. Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$55.00 as payment for the fee.

When phoning re this application, please call 773/772-6009.

BY :

Brian M. Mattson Reg. No. 35,018

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that the attached Transmittal letter, Amendment, check for \$55.00, and return postcard are being deposited as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to MS Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 19, 2003.

  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**AMENDMENT**

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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A catheter assembly for placing  
within a body, the catheter assembly comprising:

a flexible hollow body defining a length between a top end  
and a bottom end wherein the top end is closed and wherein the  
top end tapers to a cylindrical tube;

a diameter defined by the cylindrical tube;

a width defined by the bottom end of the flexible body  
wherein the width is greater than the diameter;

a locking mechanism located on the bottom end of the  
flexible body;

a first notch located a distance from a point at which the  
top end meets the cylindrical tube;

a second notch located a distance from the bottom end;

a cylindrical body defining a cross with a length defined  
between a pointed end and a flat end;

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